

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment adds new claims 23-25. New claim 23 is drawn to the delivery system of claim 1 wherein the gel film does not contain a plasticizer. Support for claim 23 can be found throughout the specification and in particular at page 7, third paragraph. New claim 24 is drawn to the delivery system of claim 1 consisting of water soluble thermoreversible alginate, a bulking agent, an active substance and water. Support for claim 24 can be found throughout the specification and in particular at page 3, first paragraph. New claim 25 is drawn to the delivery system of claim 24, wherein the bulking agent is corn syrup. Support for claim 25 can be found throughout the specification and in particular at page 9, third paragraph. No new matter has been added.

An early and favorable Office Action is requested.

A check in the amount of 54.00 for additional claim fees is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, that may associated with this Preliminary Amendment to Deposit Account No. 03-2775.

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